



DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Notice of Public Hearing and Business Meeting; March 10-11, 2015

Notice is hereby given that the Delaware River Basin Commission will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, March 10, 2015**. A business meeting will be held the following day on **Wednesday, March 11, 2015**. The hearing and business meeting are open to the public and will be held at the Washington Crossing Historic Park Visitor Center, 1112 River Road, Washington Crossing, Pennsylvania.

Public Hearing. The public hearing on **March 10, 2015** will begin at **1:30 p.m.** Hearing items will include draft dockets for withdrawals, discharges and other water-related projects subject to the Commission's review, and resolutions: (1) Authorizing the Executive Director to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder for taxonomic identification of benthic macroinvertebrates in samples collected from the Delaware River and its tributaries; (2) authorizing the Executive Director to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder for analysis of water, sediment and tissue samples from ambient waters of the Delaware River Basin for organic chemicals including PCBs, and mercury; (3) delegating limited authority to the Executive Director to enter into settlement agreements and to waive administrative late fees for good cause shown; and (4) authorizing and directing the Executive Director to initiate rulemaking to provide for the One Process – One Permit Program and to enter into an Administrative Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for demonstration of the program. The list of projects scheduled for hearing, including project descriptions, will be posted on the Commission's web site, **www.drbc.net**, in a long form of this notice at least ten days before the hearing date. Written comments on draft dockets and

resolutions scheduled for hearing on March 10 will be accepted through the close of the hearing that day. After the hearing on all scheduled matters has been completed, there will be an opportunity for public dialogue.

The public is advised to check the Commission's web site periodically prior to the hearing date, as items scheduled for hearing may be postponed if additional time is deemed necessary to complete the Commission's review, and items may be added up to ten days prior to the hearing date. In reviewing docket descriptions, the public is also asked to be aware that project details commonly change in the course of the Commission's review, which is ongoing.

Public Meeting. The public business meeting on **March 11, 2015** will begin at **1:00 p.m.** and will include: adoption of the Minutes of the Commission's December 10, 2014 business meeting, announcements of upcoming meetings and events, a report on hydrologic conditions, reports by the Executive Director and the Commission's General Counsel, and consideration of any items for which a hearing has been completed or is not required. In the latter category, the meeting will include resolutions for the Minutes: (a) Authorizing the Executive Director to execute an agreement for the preparation of the triennial actuarial evaluation for post-retirement benefits required by GASB 45; and (b) authorizing the Executive Director to retain an independent accounting firm to perform required annual audits for fiscal years 2015 through 2017, with an option to continue these services through 2019.

There will be no opportunity for additional public comment at the March 11 business meeting on hearing items for which the hearing was completed on March 10 or a previous date. Commission consideration on March 11 of items for which the public hearing is closed may result in either approval of the item (docket or resolution) as proposed, approval with changes,

denial, or deferral. When the Commissioners defer an action, they may announce an additional period for written comment on the item, with or without an additional hearing date, or they may take additional time to consider the input they have already received without requesting further public input. Any deferred items will be considered for action at a public meeting of the Commission on a future date.

Advance Sign-Up for Oral Comment. Individuals who wish to comment for the record at the public hearing on March 10 or to address the Commissioners informally during the public dialogue portion of the hearing that day are asked to sign up in advance by contacting Ms. Paula Schmitt of the Commission staff, at paula.schmitt@drbc.state.nj.us or by phoning Ms. Schmitt at 609-883-9500 ext. 224.

Addresses for Written Comment. Written comment on items scheduled for hearing may be delivered by hand at the public hearing or in advance of the hearing, either: by hand, U.S. Mail or private carrier to: Commission Secretary, P.O. Box 7360, 25 State Police Drive, West Trenton, NJ 08628; by fax to Commission Secretary, DRBC at 609-883-9522; or by email to paula.schmitt@drbc.state.nj.us. If submitted by email in advance of the hearing date, written comments on a docket should also be sent to Mr. William Muszynski, Manager, Water Resources Management at william.muszynski@drbc.state.nj.us.

Accommodations for Special Needs. Individuals in need of an accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act who wish to attend the informational meeting, conference session or hearings should contact the Commission Secretary directly at 609-883-9500 ext. 203 or through the Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) at 711, to discuss how we can accommodate your needs.

Updates. Items scheduled for hearing are occasionally postponed to allow more time for the Commission to consider them. Other meeting items also are subject to change. Please check the Commission's website, www.drbc.net, closer to the meeting date for changes that may be made after the deadline for filing this notice.

Additional Information, Contacts. The list of projects scheduled for hearing, with descriptions, will be posted on the Commission's web site, **www.drbc.net**, in a long form of this notice at least ten days before the hearing date. Draft dockets and resolutions for hearing items will be available as hyperlinks from the posted notice. Additional public records relating to hearing items may be examined at the Commission's offices by appointment by contacting Carol Adamovic, 609-883-9500, ext. 249. For other questions concerning hearing items, please contact Project Review Section assistant Victoria Lawson at 609-883-9500, ext. 216.

Dated: February 18, 2015.

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Commission Secretary and Assistant General Counsel.

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